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From Whitehall Evening-Post, Jan. 28.

Dantzick, Jan. 15.

ACcording to Letters from Stockholm, the Court had sent Orders to Carelscroon to build two more Ships of the Line, and 4 Fregats; That the Land Forces there were to be on the same Foot as in the Time of the late King Charles XII. The Frost continues so very rigorous, that People are at a great deal of Trouble to secure the Ships from Damage by Ice.

London, Jan. 28. Since the Account of the English Ships taken by the Spaniards, which we published on Tuesday last, we have the following Account, viz.

On the 13th of April last, the *Swan Sloop*, Capt. Henry Timberlake, Burden 90 Tons, loaded with Molosses, &c. sailed from St. Christopher's for Boston in New England, (to which Place she belonged and on the same Day she was taken near the West-end of the Island of St. Martin's, by a Spanish Privateer manu'd with 45 Men, and mounted with 10 Guns, belonging to Porto Rico, (but not long before belonged to St. Christopher's.) The Spaniards declared, that this Sloop made the 15th Prize their Ship had taken from the English. On the 14th of April they took three Sail more, and in the Evening they put Capt. Timberlake and 8 of his Men into a small Dorcy, and turning them a-drift, left them to the Mercy of the Seas, when the Spaniards, with their Prizes, bore away for Porto Rico. In October last two of the Snow's Crew, having surmounted innumerable Dangers, found means to get to New England, (and there related as before) from whence this Account was transmitted to us.

From the St. James Evening-Post, Jan. 28.

Koningsberg, Jan. 22. It appears by a List that has been given of those that died last Year at Frederickshow, that there died a Man of 150 Years old, whose own Children, Grandchildren, and Great-Grandchildren, &c. consisted of 113 Persons. This old Man never had a Fit of Sickness, and retained his Sight and Senses to the last Moment. In the same List, there is a Person of 100 Years old.

Paris, Feb. 2, 'Tis scarce any longer a Doubt, but that her Majesty is with Child.

The eldest of the Princesses of France is pretty much recovered; but it has been thought fit to change her Nurse.

London, Jan. 28. On Sunday 62 Soldiers of the 2d Regiment of Foot Guards were sent to Prison for having Spots on their Cloaths.

From the London Gazette, Jan. 21.

Hague, Feb. 1. The Court of Justice of Holland have begun the Trials of the Clerks of the States Secretaries Office, who some time ago were put in Prison, on strong Suspicion of discovering the Secrets of this State; together with some others suspected to be their Accomplices. One of the Clerks has already made an ample Confession, and he is to receive Sentence one Day this Week.

From the Evening Post, Jan. 28.

Madrid, Jan. 4. 'Tis reported at the Pope's Nuncio's, that the Differences between the Holy See and the King of Portugal, are in a fair Way of Accommodation. The new Works which the King of Great Britain has ordered to be made, to augment the Fortifications of Gibraltar, will not be finished before the End of next Month. The Squadron which his Britannick Majesty has sent into the Mediterranean, keep the Corsairs of Sallee in Awe, so that they have not for above two Months, offered any Insult to the Flag of Great Britain.

Scaffhausen, Jan. 15. The 13th about 10 at Night, we had a violent Earthquake here, which however caused more fear than Damage; it was felt likewise in divers other Parts, particularly at Constance, where most Part of the Houses were

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so much shaken, that the next Day they could not open their Doors.

Rome, Jan. 1. Cardinal Alberoni is making Preparations for a Journey, but being very secret in all his Affairs, no Body knows whither he is going, this Reservedness has again caused Variety of Conjectures; but it is as certain, that that Great Man could hardly ever stir out of Town, without a Thousand Rumours being spread, that his Eminence never dreamt of; hence it follows, that the present Discourses may be as wide of the Mark as the former. Nay we have known the Time when the Cardinal could not go out of his Palace to visit a Friend, but some Grand Affair was upon the Anvil, and his Eminency was bound either for Madrid or Vienna; so that it does not at all surprize us to hear Men talk as they do.

Stockholm Jan. 6. The Court has put on Mourning for three Months, for the Death of the Russian Princess Natalia. The Roads being very good for travelling with Sledges, by Reason of the great Quantities of Snow, Provisions are very Plenty, and abundance of Copper and Iron is brought from the Mines of Arboga and others. The Season is still very rigorous.

From the Daily Post-Boy, Jan. 28.

Petersburg, Dec. 20. They write from Smolensko, that several Mines of Iron and other Metals have been lately discovered in that Neighbourhood, of which they were preparing to make Trial forthwith.

Warsaw, Dec. 27. The King having written to the Primate of this Kingdom, that the Rigour of the Season had determined him to put off his Departure from Saxony till next Spring, the Preparations that were making in our Castle for his Majesty's Reception are discontinued. They write from Limberg, that the Princess Dowager of Prince Constantine Sobieski had adjusted all Differences with Prince James Sobieski, her Brother in Law, by yielding to him the Estate of Tregenhoff, situate in Polish Prussia.

They write from Dresden, that the King of Poland has given Orders for augmenting all the Saxon Infantry with 44 Men per Company, and every Regiment is to send six Men to reinforce the Garison of the Castle of Dresden.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Jan. 28.

Since our last arrived a French and Holland Mail,

THE grand Question in all our Conversations *Whether Peace or War?* But tho' no direct Answer can yet be given thereto, 'tis however expected, that it will in a short time be decided, and that in favour of the former; there being no Room to doubt but the King of Spain will recede from his Pretensions, which have so long obstructed the Congress: Especially, when he sees not only the Concurrence of the Allies of Hanover, but also the repeted Resolutions of our Parliament, for maintaining and supporting our just Rights and Possessions, granted by solemn Treaties, and for which no Equivalent can be given.

Letters from Gibraltar advise, that the Presents which his Excellency Mr. Russel carries from His Majesty to the Emperor of Morocco, were still there, by reason that Africa continues in a State of Anarchy and Confusion.

Yesterday the South-Sea Books were opened, and the Stocks were 96, 1 half, without the Dividend, and the Annuities ditto, 102, 1 half; which some of the Proprietors remark, is a great Difference from what it was formerly, when the Stock used to be 15 or 20 par Cent. higher than the Annuity.

'Tis reported, that Admiral Cavendish has Orders sent him to return home with his Squadron from the Mediterranean; That Walter Carrey, Esq; one of the Commissioners of Trade, will be appointed Clerk of the Privy Council, in room of Robert Halls, Esq;

The Entertainment at the Earl of Essex's House in St. James's Square, ended between 4 and 5 a-clock Yesterday-morning, when his R. Highness the Prince of Wales returned to his Apartment at St. James's.

Yesterday the Lords ordered several Persons into Custody of the Black Road, amongst them, 2 Baillies, for arresting the Viscountess Fallemberg a Peeress. Received more Appeals, and deferred till Tuesday the Attendance of the Judges with the Heads of a Bill for Relief of insolvent Debitors.

Fifteen Thousand Seamen will be employed in the

Sea-service of the Year 1949, at the Rate of 4 l. a Month per Man, which is the same number as last Year.

It is believed, that in a little time some Papers relating to the Negociations at Soissons, will be added for and laid before the House. Mean-time we hear, that a Messenger arrived here this Day from France, with 2 large Pacquets; one for the Duke of Newcastle, and the other for the Lord Townshend, Secretaries of State: Containing, as the general Opinion is, some Dispatches of Importance relating to the said Negociations.

Letters from Vienna by the Holland Mail, dated the 22d Instant, tell us that a long Conference was lately held by the Ministers of that Court, upon the Difficulties which had hitherto retarded the Conclusion of a Peace; and that Prince Eugene had made a Report of what had been in the Conferences, to his Imperial Majesty; and whose Resolutions thereon were soon to be dispatched for France.

Our Letters from Tangier say, That the People of Fez had delivered up Muley Abdemeleck to his Brother, as an Attonment for their Opposition to him, and that an Alcaid was expected at Tetuan with a Body of Blacks, to inforce these Towns to receive their Bashaw, who is an hearty Friend to the English.

There is an Account from Siera Liona, on the Coast of Guinea, that the British Factories had been obliged to retire by the Negroes, who had come down upon them.

There is a Report that the Earl of Essex will be declared Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

Last Night one of the Treasurers of the Corporation for the Sons of the Clergy, received a Letter wherein was two Bank Notes, for between 5 and 600 L. to be disposed of to the Widows and Orphans of Clergymen.

Private Letters from Cadiz of the 11th Instant, advise of the Arrival of the Duke of Richmond at Gibraltar, where he was saluted with the Discharge of the Cannon of that Garison. They add, that divers Ships had been lost, amongst them two or three English, in a violent Storm there. No News yet of the Galleons.

¶¶¶ By a Resolution of the Trustees and Committee of the Creditors of MERCHISTON, BLAIR & LETHEM, a General Meeting of said Creditors is appointed to be held in the Laigh Coffeehouse, on Thursday next the 6th Inst. at 3 a clock after Noon: To give Directions in some Things of the utmost Importance to the common interest of the Creditors, and require the greatest Dispatch. And 'tis hoped such as cannot attend, will send their Doers sufficiently instructed, to go into joint Measures.

¶*¶ There is a convenient LODGING or DWELLING HOUSE, at Restalrig; consisting of Ten Fire-Rooms, Garrets, Cellars, &c. with Brewhouse, Coachhouse, Stables and Garden, now possess'd by Mr. Broughton: To be sette at Whitsunday next, for One or more Years. Enquire at Charles Allan Surgeon, at the Laigh Coffeehouse, or at his House in Monteith's Close, will set the same.

¶¶¶ The Commissioners for improving FISHERIES and MANUFACTURES in Scotland, hereby give Notice, that they have issued Precepts on their Cashier, for paying the Præmium of 15 sh. on the Acre of all Grounds, certified to them to have been sown last Year with Lintseed or Hempseed in the Terms of the Undertakers Proposals. Those in the Shires of Lanerk, Fife, Perth, Forfar and Inverness, are desired to apply to the Collectors of the Land Tax, for their several Shares, who will have Instructions agreement accommodating them in the Country. Notice is likewise given to all the other Undertakers last Year, for sowing Lintseed and Hempseed, That the proper Certificates of their having fulfilled the Conditions, must be lodged with David Flint Secretary, before the Payment of their Præmium can be ordered; and that all Persons of any Shire or Stewartry in Scotland, who intend to contract for sowing one or more Acres with Lintseed and Hempseed, so as to be entitled to the Præmium of 15 sh. per Acre, do send in their Offer on or before the first of April next.

N. B. Such who last Year claimed for two or three Years are prefered accordingly, and therefore need not renew their Offers.

¶*¶ The Lands of CORSLATS, lying on the South-Side of the Town of Linlithgow, consisting of 21 Acres of arable Ground, belonging to the Heirs of the deceast Baillie Kae in Canongate, holding Feu of the Earl of Hopton; Are to be exposed to publick voluntary Roup, together or in Parcels, in the House of Thomas Main Postmaster in Linlithgow, upon Tuesday the 11th of February Inst. between the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. The Conditions to be seen in the Hands of the said Thomas Main, and Robert Allison Writer, at his House opposite to the Main Guard, Edinburgh: Where also the Rights and Progress of the Lands may be seen.

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¶¶¶ Whereas the voluntary Sale of the Lands of GOGAR in the Shire of Clackmannan, was about 2 Years advertiſed in the News papers, to be ſold by publick Roup, and the ſame being put off, it is now to be expoſed to Sale to the higheſt Bidder, on Thurſday the 6th of February Inſt. betwixt 2 & 4 aclock after Noon, in the Houſe of Mr. Biggar Vintner, at the Sign of the Anchor. The Purchaſe conſiſts of about 277 Acres, arable or planted Ground; a well contriv'd Houſe thereon of 16 Fire-rooms, Stables, Granary, and other Officehouſes fitly ſituated from the Houſe; as are the Gardens, Incloſures and Planting: The Parterre well furniſhed with Evergreens, and the Bolve deres, with Viſto's terminating on ſome of the fineſt Seat on the Forth. A fine Free-Stone Quarrey, and Clay for Brick, may be had on the Lands. Coal, and Lime-Stone for Improvement of the Eſtate, is to be had within a Mile or ſo round it. Mr. William Veitch Writer to the Signet, or Mr. Maceuen Bookſeller, will inform as to Particulars.

N. B. The Lands have been for a great many Years neglected by occaſional Incumbrances; but may, by ſmall Induſtry, be improved to evident Advantage.

*** That the voluntary Roup of the Lands of CARSKERDO, is again prorogued to Friday the 14th February Inſt. when the ſame will be diſpoſed of without further Delay to the higheſt Bidder, in the Houſe of Patrick Herdman Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of three and four of the Clock in the Afternoon. The free Rent of the Lands is about eighty Pounds Sterling. They have a convenient Dwelling-houſe thereon, lately built, conſiſting of ſeven Fire-rooms with Garrets, and all neceſſary Office-houſes, hold Taxtward of the Crown for Payment of twelve Pound Scots yearly for Ward and Non-entry, the like Sum for Relief, and thirty ſix l. for the Marriage; lying within the Pariſh of Cures, at two Miles diſtance from the Firth of Forth, and three Miles from Cowper in Fife, within a convenient Diſtance from Coal and Peat. The Rental of the Lands, Progreſs of the Writs and Articles of Roup are to be ſeen in the Hands of Alexander Stevenſon of Montgreenan, Writer to the Signet, at his Writing Chamber in the Parliament Cloſe.

To be ſold,

At Gilmertoun-Parks, 3 Miles South off Edinburgh, a large, fine, thorough bred DUTCH BULL. Enquire at Baillie Clark in Gilmerton.

¶¶¶ That the Houſe of Boulingreen, conſiſting of nine Fire-rooms, Cloſets, Cellers, Brewhouſe, Stable, Coach-houſe, Park and Garden, pleaſantly ſituate betwixt Leith and Leith Mills, near the Water, is to ſet againſt Whitſunday next. Any that would ſee the ſame, may call for Gilbert Matthiſon at the Brick Houſe adjacent thereto.

By the Truſtees for the Creditors of Mr. [illegible] of Alderſtoun.

That the Lands and Barony of Alderſtoun, [illegible] venient Manſion-houſe lately repaired, and inclo[illegible] ing 10 Miles Weſt of Edinburgh, comprehending [illegible] Croſthead, Brimeridge, Hall-Quarter, Thorn, Weſt [illegible] Yellow-Stripper, Rathclugh, Weſt-Mains, Ea[illegible] or Adenbrae, [illegible] houſes, Nether[illegible] derſtoun, Dykes a Feu, [illegible] Weſt-Coalzium, and Weſt-[illegible] all lying in the Pariſh of Mid-Ca[illegible] burgh, holding Blanche of the Crown, p[illegible] Miniſter of Calder, L. 190, 06, 08 Scots, and to [illegible] maſter, L. 12, 05, 00 Scots; neat Rent, L. 1861, [illegible] Money, 64 Bolls Meal, 12 Bolls Bear, 2 Stone of Butter, 4 Stone of Cheeſe, 4 Wedders, 20 Sheeps Graſs, 42 Carriages, 108 Hens, 1 Stone of Lint. *Item*, The Lands of Eaſter Colſyend, in Calder Pariſh; neat R[illegible] 06, 00, 2 Stone of Butter, 6 Hens, and the Gr[illegible]g. Oxen. *Item*, The Lands of Liſtonſheels, in the Pa[illegible] Kirknewton and Shire of Edinburgh, being a Five-n[illegible] land of old Extent, holding Feu of the Crown for Payment of One Merk of Feu-duty, and 50 L. Scots of Teind-duty; neat Rent, L. 660, Scots, Four Stone of Cheeſe, Four Wedders and 4 Hens. *Item*, The Lands of Logy, lying near the Pariſh Kirk of Logy, in the Lordſhip of Stirling and Shire of Perth, about a Mile North of Stirling, holding Feu of the Crown for Payment of 11 L. Scots and 32 Bolls Bear Feu-duty; being all liferented by the Lady Logy; neat Rent, L. 123, 07, 00 Scots, 31 Bolls Bear and Meal, 24 Hens, 1 Sto of neButter, 2 Cows Graſs, and the Sowing of a Peck of Lintſeed. *Item*, Certain Tenements of Land lying in the Town of Stirling, of yearly Rent 182 L. Scots. *Item*, An Acre of Land lying hard by the Town of Stirling, in the Territory thereof; 2 Bolls 2 Firlots Malt yearly Rent. *Item*, Certain Tenements and Houſes lying near the Foot of the Canongate of Edinburgh; being a Part of Laurence Ord's Land, being L. 604, 10, 00 Scots of neat Rent. *Item*, Houſes in Niddery's Wynd, near the Head of it, upon the Eaſt-ſide, being about 132 L. yearly Rent; ARE all to be expoſed to Sale, by way of publick voluntar Roup, in Whole or Parcels, at the Houſe of William Gray Vintner in Edinburgh, upon the Thirteenth of February next, at 3 in the Afternoon. The Rental, Progreſs and Articles of Roup, to be ſeen in the Hands of Mr. William Robertſon Writer in Edinburgh, at his Houſe in the Aſſembly Cloſe. The Truſtees do alſo by this advertiſe, and call a general Meeting of all the Creditors upon the 6th Day of February, at 3 aclock after Noon, in the Laigh Coffee-houſe, to concert the moſt expeditious and leaſt expenſive Method for Ranking themſelves upon the Eſtate of the common Debitor. If they negleſt to attend the ſaid Meeting, they will have themſelves to blame for any Delays in further Execution of this Truſt.

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